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C/NIC has asked that NIO/GPF forecasts deal in more detail with conflicts, trouble spots, and destabilizing arms transfers, worldwide, including probabilities of various outcomes. The attached draft is based on our own brainstorming and inputs from SOVA and OGI. However, there are numerous areas where the deciding factors are more likely to be political than military in nature. We therefore ask your review of the GPF forecasts relevant to your region and solicit comments NLT 12 January.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

VIA : Chairman, National Intelligence Council

FROM : Major General Edward B. Atkeson, USA
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SUBJECT : 1983 Forecasts - NIO for General Purpose Forces

1. The attached point paper highlights key military developments expected in 1983 (or beyond). They are divided into two major areas:

- I. Expected Major Trends in Soviet General Purpose Forces in 1983 (or beyond).
- II. Possible Significant Military Developments Worldwide in 1983 (or beyond) that Could Lead to Regional Destabilization.

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2. You will note that many of the regional forecasts cover conflict areas when political factors outweigh military considerations. Although we have coordinated this paper with the regional NIOs, we believe you will find fuller treatment of these potential trouble spots in their forecasts.

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3. We are indebted to SOVA and OGI for much of this input and can elaborate on any of these that interest you.

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Edward B. Atkeson

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